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Black History Month

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**Wednesday
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**Speaker
Dr. Lionel Mandy**

Dr. Lionel Mandy is an internationally recognized scholar. His degrees are in English Literature (BA), Afro-American Studies (MA), Social Work (MSW), Business Administration (MBA), Law (JD), Clinical Psychology (PsyD), and Metaphysics (BSc., MSc., Ph.D.). He is an emeritus lecturer from the Departments of Africana Studies and Psychology at California State University, Long Beach. His current research interests include African American male identity development, African American fathers and fathering, institutional racism in university and governmental settings, the connections between emotions and disease, healing and spirituality, and the African presence in Sri Lanka. Dr. Mandy was the faculty advisor for the African Student Union, the Black Scholars Student Association, and the Black Student Psychological Association at California State University, Long Beach. His first book is entitled *The I AM Model of Afrikan/African/Black Male Identity Development*. He was a Fulbright Senior Scholar lecturing in the master's degree Clinical Psychology program in the Faculty of Graduate Studies at the University of Colombo, Sri Lanka in 2010 and 2011.